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GRAINS OF HEALTH

These little pills will quickly relieve Indigestion, Constipation, Stomach Disorders, Constipation, All Pains, Headache, Loss of Appetite, Dizziness, etc.

IGNORANT BELIEVE DEATH IS PAINLESS

Secrecy Thrown Around Electric Chair Leads to Many Foolish Utterances Here.

TERRIBLE AND GHASTLY, TOO

Machine Works Quickly, but Is Far More Horrifying Than Death on the Gallows.

Thirteen murderers have been electrocuted in the death chair at the penitentiary since the new State law went into effect last year. One year ago, the success of the high-powered instrument of destruction, as compared with the barbarous gallows, has been pronounced one of the best features of the law providing that all persons convicted of capital crimes shall be punished here in secret. There will be no more of those wild and spectacular affairs in the counties, with morbid crowds surrounding the jails, eager and anxious to see the last struggle of a culprit. In this respect, at least, the State commends itself without reservation.

Some very eminent scientists in this country and France have declared that the death chair merely stuns; that it does not kill, and that with proper effort, a person, who may be brought back to life. But there is no evidence to prove this assertion.

Being a practical man, Coroner Taylor, of Richmond, gives as his opinion that Richmond electrically will kill, even if the same current might fall elsewhere. Dr. Taylor, however, in dealing with the bodies brought from the chamber of horrors at the penitentiary. The City Board of Health takes cognizance of these executions, however, for the reason that thirteen men have been electrocuted in the mortality rate, and the department is not willing to assume the burden and the higher rate without some note of explanation.

Foolish Idea of Ignorant.

Among the ignorant and superstitious the word has gone forth that electrocution is such a painless, pleasant way to end one's existence that the newspapers will not print the details because to do so would be to invite crimes rather than deter them. There was never a more foolish idea. If every man in Virginia could witness one of these executions the death chair would remain idle for an indefinite period, for no man would wish to be invited to see the horror of his end. The story of one would not be a pleasant reading day after day, and some idea of the death-dealing machine and its manner of operation is given, simply to shatter the false notion of the ignorant and superstitious.

For a stated period before a man is sentenced to pay the penalty he is confined in the death chamber, there to think, pray and repent. If he is of normal mind, his thoughts would race around so wildly that he could not collect them for the terrible fact which the fatal day might bring. When that day comes he does not wait long, for the law has been avenged before half of the town is awake.

Death Scenes All Alike.

All of these death scenes are alike, whether they are enacted in New York, Illinois or Virginia. When the motor has been started, the witnesses are seated with their backs to the machine, with dynamite which supply thousands of volts, the official witnesses, summoned by the State, move about uneasily. There is a row of chairs or benches, where the witnesses sit after the fashion of people in a chapel, for the witnesses have their backs to the death chair being twelve feet away, facing the audience. Behind the chair there is specially built machinery, from which wires run to the place where all that is mortal ends. The ghastly sight which the witnesses are to see is to be seen from the very thought of it.

At a signal—nobody knows who gives it—a door to the right side of the chair opens, and there comes the shrill cry of the man condemned. The witnesses have their backs to the machine, which is turned around. And then when the murderer comes in, his wild eyes sweeping the room, finally to rest upon the chair, there is fear that is deeper than the pen can de-

MEMORY MENDING

What Food Alone Can Do for the Memory.

The influence of food upon the brain and memory is so little understood that people are inclined to marvel at it. Take a person who has been living on a diet of grape-nuts for a long time, and upon a scientific diet in which the food grape-nuts is largely used, and the increase of mental power that follows is truly remarkable.

A Canadian who was sent to Colorado for his health illustrated this point in a most convincing manner.

"One year ago I came from Canada, a nervous wreck, so my physician said, and reduced in weight to almost a skeleton, and my memory was so poor that conversations had to be repeated that had taken place only a few hours before. I was unable to read a newspaper, and my nervous system was shattered.

"The change of climate helped me a little, but it was soon seen that this was not all that I needed. I required the proper selection of food, and I did not realize it until I had read of the Grape-Nuts. I then I gave this food a thorough trial. Then I knew what the right food could do, and I began to change in my feelings and bodily condition.

"From that time until now, after a month's use of Grape-Nuts, all my nervous trouble has entirely disappeared. I have gained in flesh all that I had lost, and what is more wonderful to me than anything else, my memory is as good as it ever was.

"Grape-Nuts has remade me all over, mind and body, and I am now a happy and contented man. There is a reason."

Look for the famous little book, "The Road to Well-being," in all drug stores.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true and full of human interest.

PRODUCE DEALERS

ENDORSE BUREAU

Find Daily Weather Reports of Great Value, and Commend Chief Moore.

HAVE FAITH IN SERVICE

Resolutions Declares Predictions Prevent Loss in Shipping Perishable Goods.

Having been duly impressed with the value and efficiency of the weather reports, and not taking much stock in what is said in magazine articles which violently attacked Chief. Willis L. Moore's bureau, the Richmond Fruit and Produce Association yesterday sent a letter to Section Director Evans, in which the faith of members was set forth in strong terms. That blizzard which swept over Washington on March 4, after Chief Moore had given his promise of clear skies, has ranked in the blood of thousands, and evoked in the minds of many a shudder. It is the fact that the man who reads charts and makes predictions is no nearer the actual facts than a man who hazards a guess from the street.

But the bureau seems to have its friends, many of whom reside here, and who have had occasion to watch the records in order to protect their property. So it happened yesterday that when Section Director Evans began to read the report, he found the following, which gave comfort:

Commends the Service.

"At a general meeting of the Richmond Fruit and Produce Association the following was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, this association has received, and is now receiving, the daily weather service of the United States Bureau, and whereas we have always found the reports as furnished to our members to be reliable, correct, and thereby of great value to us in the shipment of perishable products handled by us, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this association place on record its appreciation of the service of the Weather Bureau, and its confidence in the efficiency of its bureau."

For which the bureau ought to furnish its best sample of weather today.

SCOTTISH RITE REUNION

Degrees to Be Conferred Upon More Than Thirty Candidates.

Beginning to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock and continuing for three days the spring reunion of the Scottish Rite Masons will be held here. Degrees will be conferred upon candidates from the fourth to the thirty-second will be conferred upon candidates, thirty or more of whom are expected to be elevated. Four bodies of the order will take part in the ceremonies, which will be conducted on an elaborate scale.

The choir will be composed of the best musical talent of the city, and has already held several rehearsals. Among those who will take part in the musical program are: G. Jeter Jones, W. J. Walker, W. J. White, W. J. Phillips, H. D. Bryant, Bassett, Mrs. Irene Robinson, Mrs. W. F. Montell, Miss Patrice M. Isaacs and R. L. Tucker. Only Master Masons are eligible to the degrees that are to be conferred.

HEBREW ASSOCIATION TO OBSERVE ITS MEMORIAL DAY

From 4:30 P. M. until 8 P. M. on Wednesday, May 15, special cars will be run from Seventh and Broad Streets to the cemetery, where the Hebrew Association will hold its annual memorial services at 6 o'clock.

The annual address will be delivered by Judge John H. Ingalls. The prayer and benediction, Leon Nelson will be master of ceremonies, and Prof. E. J. Ingalls will be the musical feature of the occasion will be supplied by Company C, "Flowers may be sent to the cemetery or to the home of Miss Moss, 1010 Park Avenue."

Plans Not Approved.

The School Board of Tuckahoe District met at the courthouse yesterday morning and refused to approve plans for the erection of a new school building on the West-hampton road. The ventilation proposed was found to be unsatisfactory, and will not be approved as soon as the necessary changes can be made by the architect.

NATIONAL PLAN

FOR GOOD ROADS

Highway League Believes Congress Will Give One Million Dollars for Work.

EXPECT AID TO ARRIVE SOON

Executive Committee Explains Purpose of Organization for Great Highway System.

Though the attendance was somewhat small, the first meeting of the executive committee of the International League for Highway Improvement, which convened at the Jefferson Hotel Friday morning, adjourned yesterday after having accomplished more than could reasonably be expected from an initial convention. Besides the hearty co-operation of the Virginia Good Roads Association, the convention received the commendation of President Craft in a personal letter to President John A. Stewart, and the endorsement of many other prominent in the affairs of the country. The committee now confidently expects that its request of an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Congress to be used in the survey of a national system of highways will be granted, and that within the next year the actual work of launching the great scheme that the league is advocating will be accomplished.

Plans of the League.

The purposes of the league and the principles for which it stands are fully set forth in the paper drawn up yesterday morning by a committee consisting of Colonel Benjamin Cameron, president of the National Farmers' Congress; Joseph Hyde Pratt and Colonel John S. Edwards, both of Washington, D. C., approved by the executive committee. This will be a part of the paper to be presented to Congress when the request is made for the survey appropriation, and is as follows:

The purpose of the league for highway improvement, at the first meeting of its executive committee, held on May 15 at Richmond, Va., cordially invited the support and co-operation of every citizen and of every society and organization of the United States, either in whole or in part, are directed towards highway improvement. We invite your support and co-operation in an attempt to carry out the following plan:

"The enactment by the Congress of the United States of a law appropriating the sum of \$1,000,000 to be expended under supervision and authority of a commission to be appointed in part, by the President of the United States, which commission shall consist of representatives from the Department of War, one from the Post-Office Department, one from the Department of Agriculture, three civilians (one of whom shall be a civil engineer), one member of the House of Representatives, and one appointed by the Speaker, and one to be a member of the Senate of the United States, to be appointed by the President pro tem, thereof. Under this commission it is proposed that a survey be made of four major highways, two East-and-West highways to extend from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts, with particular reference to the exigencies of the three departmental interests, and that the survey should comprehend not only the location of the routes to be improved, but an estimate of grades, the preparation of profiles, maps, plans, specifications and estimates of cost; that there shall be constructed by the commission, under the direction of a corps of engineers to be appointed by the commission, numbers of miles of experimental building, as to materials, and conformity to the natural character of the country, various sections of country through which the proposed roads may be located.

FOR POOR CHILDREN

Club Is Organized to Assist Those Who Cannot Help Themselves.

Members of the Glee-Gang met last night for the purpose of organizing a club, which will assist those who are unable to help themselves. The club will be organized in one of the suburbs, will be used exclusively for women who spend the day in the city, and will be located in the suburbs, and already forty-eight members have been enrolled.

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CONWAY'S BODY FOUND

The body of John Conway, of Manchester, who was drowned in the James River, was found yesterday afternoon, near the shore of the Free Bridge, where it had been washed up by the current.

The funeral will be held from the residence of the deceased, at 11 o'clock, and will be held in the Oakwood Cemetery. Mr. Conway is survived by his wife and several children.

COMMITTEES NAMED

The following committees were appointed:

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WILL PROSECUTE MINORS

J. H. Bowles Fined for Allowing Son to Enter Bar-room to Buy Liquor.

For the first time in the history of the recent agitation against the sale of liquor J. H. Bowles was fined \$5 in Police Court yesterday morning on a charge of allowing his son, Alonzo, a minor, to enter a bar-room and buy liquor in violation of the city ordinance bearing on the subject. The maximum fine is \$10. There were several liquor men in court at the time, and they stated it was their intention to prosecute all such cases as possible in their own self-defense.

Bowles was fined for the amount of the fine.

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Officers of War College Near End of Horseback Ride Through Battlegrounds.

GENERAL DAVIS IS HERE

Major-General George W. Davis, formerly Governor of the Philippines, and at one time Governor of Porto Rico and the Canal Zone, arrived here yesterday, and is the guest of John Landstreet, at 25 Park Avenue. He will be present at the State Fair Grounds, to-day and will welcome the officers of the Army College at the end of their horseback ride from Washington to Richmond.

The visiting officers will encamp on the Sherwood Park property, and will be the guests of the Horse Show Association, and of the Commonwealth and Westmoreland Clubs. The headquarters will be made at the latter clubhouse, where arrangements have already been made for their entertainment. Officers of the local military companies are included in the committee of entertainment.

WILL ENTER PROTEST

City and State Officials Will Assist in Voting Settlements of Armenians.

The Rev. Robert W. Forsyth, of St. Paul's Church, will protest against the proposed settlement of Armenians in the city, and will be assisted by the city and state officials. The protest will be held at the city hall, and will be held at 11 o'clock.

SUBPOENAS ISSUED

Officials of Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company Must Produce Documents.

The United States District Court of the Eastern District of Virginia, has issued subpoenas for the production of documents by the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, S. W. Travers, treasurer, and S. D. Greenhaw, secretary, to appear before the court on May 27, in the Jefferson Hotel. The purpose of the subpoena is to produce documents in connection with the case now pending in the United States Court of New Jersey against the corporation. George H. Rogers is plaintiff in the suit.

The suit arises out of contested titles to phosphate lands in Lewis, Maury and Hickman counties, Tenn. The writs are served over the signature of Chief Justice Fuller of the United States Supreme Court.

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Regular Underwear, of course, in all weights, all colors, all prices, all good.

MUST SHOW HIM, DECLARES MAYOR

Westinghouse People Must Prove That City Can Save \$8,300 by Vetoing Ordinance.

The Committee on Electricity has been called to meet in the office of Mayor Richardson to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the purpose of consulting as to the award of contract for the municipal electric plant, the highest bidders, for both sides will be present. Mayor Richardson stated yesterday that the Westinghouse representatives would have to show him that it would be to the city's interest to have the contract awarded to the Westinghouse company, and the action of the two branches of the City Council before he would veto the measure.

Clyde W. Saunders, city printer, has been summoned to appear before the Committee on Budget of the Poor at the City Hall to-morrow night, when the committee will go into an investigation of the recently discovered excess of fuel tickets printed for the city this year. It was found that instead of printing 10,000 tickets, as authorized by the committee, there were delivered to the city 120,000 tickets.

The committee has made several attempts to find out who was responsible for the blunder without success. It will try to find out who was responsible for the blunder without success. It will try to find out who was responsible for the blunder without success.

DAILY COURT RECORD

U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, held its regular session yesterday at 11 o'clock, with Circuit Judge Pritchard and District Judges Waddill, Keller and McDowell in court.

The following cases were argued:

No. 525—United States, plaintiff in error, vs. Atlantic Coast Line, defendant. Reversed in error in the District Court at Norfolk. Continued from yesterday. Cause further argued by J. L. Lewis, United States attorney of the city, for the plaintiff in error, and submitted.

Court then went into conference as to the cases argued and submitted. Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

There will be no cases in the call Monday.

PLAYED HANDS AND LOST

Hatti Pasha, colored, was arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing \$2.75 from the person of Edward Austin. Edward said that she took it from his hand, and it is supposed that the pair was playing hands at the time.

ELLYSON CAPTURED

Period of Freedom from Road Force Very Short.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

GORDONSVILLE, VA., May 15.—R. P. Ellyson, convicted of shooting a constable, was released from the penitentiary, made his escape last night from convict camp No. 8, two miles from Gordonsville, and was captured by a patrolman from the State Penitentiary who reached here at 11:20 o'clock this morning, where he was arrested.

Ellyson was formerly a guard in another section of the State under Captain Wimbish, who had charge of the camp here.

MAJOR FOLLOWERS WERE IN CONTROL

Democratic leaders who remained here yesterday, after the adjournment of the session of the State Committee at Murphy's Friday night were talking politics overtime, many of them being enthusiastic over the prospects of their respective favorites for the various offices to be filled in the coming election. This is claimed by the Mann followers, and not denied by those who are advocating the cause of Mr. Tucker. Therefore, the proceedings of the committee were largely "cut and dried," the program having been practically decided upon in advance. No criticism is being offered as to anything that was done, however, as the minority recognizes the right of the majority to rule.

Will Meet at Bath.

There is still much talk of the possibility of further joint debates between Mr. Tucker and Judge Mann. They will meet at Warm Springs, in Bath county, next Thursday. It is contended that there will be a challenge by one of the other. Whether in the event there will be an acceptance is, of course, an open question. It is believed here that the challenge will come from Mr. Tucker, as he has indicated his purpose to invite Judge Mann to divide time with him at every point where they shall meet until the campaign is over. Neither Judge Mann nor Mr. Tucker attended the meeting of the State Committee Friday night. The former left for Bristol early in the evening, and the latter was in the city, thus being unable to reach the city. Judge Mann will be at Marion, the county seat of Smyth, on Monday, Mr. Tucker speaking on the same day at Harrisonburg. It is probable that they will not return here before the end of the week, as they will speak in Bath on Thursday, probably appearing at other points out in the State in the meantime.

CATLET'S FRIENDS ACTIVE

A pretty fight for development of the office of Attorney-General. At first it looked as though this might be one of the featureless battles of the campaign, but this idea has been dispelled. The friends of both Colonel Catlett and Judge Mann are active in the campaign. No candidate for the State Committee, of which he is a member. Mr. Barksdale says that Colonel Catlett, who is widely and favorably known throughout the Sixth Congressional District, will carry Hatteras county by a overwhelming majority. Friends of the competing candidates are making counter claims as to their respective strength in the various sections of the State, all of which appears to indicate a hard battle. Nearly all the candidates for State offices, except those for Governor, attended the meeting of the committee, plans having been laid for some strenuous fighting within the next few months.

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CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO

MAY REACH CHICAGO

The deal will be made in this city some time during the latter part of the month of May, and the road will be examined in the meantime.

While nothing definite could be ascertained at the Chesapeake and Ohio offices last night, it was said that for two weeks past the plan of securing the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville Railway has been discussed. The road has lately been built from Cincinnati to Chicago, but the Louisville division has only been surveyed.

If the Bradford Line, as the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville is called, has been secured by the Chesapeake and Ohio, the company will have a through route from Norfolk to Chicago, entering the latter city over the terminal line of the Illinois Central. The track between Cincinnati and Chicago over the short route is 235 miles, but it is said, the roadbed is in poor condition, and a large amount will have to be expended to bring it up to Chesapeake and Ohio standards.